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In re Application of Matsubayashi et al. :
Application No. 10/726,709 :
Filing Date: December 4, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. 00862.023341 :

Decision on Petition

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed January 14, 2009, to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition is **granted**.

The Office mailed a final Office action on April 21, 2008. The Office did not receive a reply to the Office action. As a result, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed November 14, 2008.

Petitioner requests withdrawal of the holding of abandonment.

The showing of record is sufficient to demonstrate non-receipt of the final Office action. Therefore, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

A new final Office action will be mailed and the period for reply will be re-started.

Technology Center Art Unit 2174 will be informed of the instant decision. Thereafter, the Technology Center will mail a new final Office action. The time period for responding to the new final Office action will be set to run from the mailing date of the new final Office action.

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